(iv) OP towers have been erected.

(v) Binoculars, goggles, twin telescopes, PNV binoculars and hand held search lights have been provided for enhanced vigilance on the border.

(vi) Boats/Motors Boats have been provided for patrolling riverine/creek area.

(vii) Border roads/tracks are being constructed/developed for vehicular patrolling.

(viii) Coastal Security has been strengthened.

(ix) Gearing up of the intelligence machinery & sharing of intelligence among concerned agencies.

(x) Greater functional integration through an institutional frame work at all level.

(xi) Upgradation and modernisation of Central paramilitary forces and Police.

Petro-Dollars for Funding Militancy in J&K

2223. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that pumping in of petro-dollars in J&K, through remittances by Indians Working abroad, has aroused the suspicion of counter-insurgency agencies operating in the State that the money is being used to fund militancy; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) There are inputs to suggest that money is pumped into Jammu and Kashmir from various countries through different channels including hawala transactions to fund militancy. However there are no specific inputs to suggest that petro dollars being remitted by Indians working abroad, are used for the purpose to fund militancy in J&K.

Lawyer missing from Tis-Hazari

2224. SHRI S. SIVA SUBRAMANIAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, 'Lawyer Missing from Tis-Hazari', appearing in the Times of India dated November, 30, 1999; and

(b) if so, the details of action taken/proposed to be taken in the matter, till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. On the complaint of the wife of the